



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

JOHN R. SCHNEIDER et al.

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For: COATING COMPOSITIONS PROVIDING IMPROVED MAR AND SCRATCH RESISTANCE AND METHODS OF USING THE SAME

: PATENT APPLICATION
: Confirmation No. 1918
: Attorney Docket No.: 1646A1/RC
: Group Art Unit: 1711
: Examiner: U. K. Rajguru

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION (RCE)
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed January 23, 2004, in connection with the captioned application. This amendment is being filed with a Request for Continuing Examination. Please consider the following amendments and remarks prior to examination of the case.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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